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IN RE APPLICATION OF : COFFEY, Gerald P.  
TITLE : COLORIZED RUBBER AND METHOD OF  
MAKING SAME  
SERIAL NO. : 10/027,718  
FILING DATE : December 20, 2001  
ART UNIT : 1773  
EXAMINER : NAKARANI, Dhirajlal S.  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Examiner:

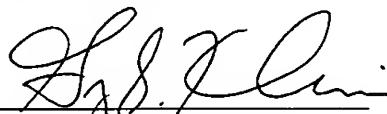
In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 12, 2003, Applicant provisionally elects the designated invention of Group II (Claims 9-14 and 16-20) drawn to a method for preparing colored rubber particles.

The Restriction Requirement set a shortened statutory period for response of one month to expire September 12, 2003. Accordingly, this Response to Restriction Requirement is timely filed.

With the above election and in light of the Amendment and Response filed on May 15, 2003, it is respectfully submitted that the Application is now in condition for allowance. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-2051, specifically identifying Docket No. 26200-11.

Respectfully submitted,

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